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TODAY'S EVENTS.

VANA! - Admiral Sampson's fleet re Guatanamo today for Kingston,

YORK.—Princeton plays New university at Princion today, town plays Gallaudet at George-UNGFIELD, Mass.-General Nelsor

les has accepted an invitation to b banquet to be held at the Coole W YORK -- Palm Sunday, as usual

e observed in all the churches here he usual pomp. The services in the trai will be presided over by Arch-SPRINGS .- W. J. Bryan will de-

lecture here tonight for the benefit proposed National Pythian sani-to be located here. Mr. Bryan was by the Knights of Pythias.

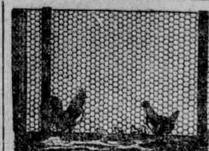
RT ARTHUR, Texas.-The informal and very elaborate celebration. elegation of foreign capitalists and will be present and the governors ral States are expected to partici-

THE GOVERNOR'S VETOES.

s Democrats Will Meet and Dislas, Texas, March 24 .- The action of

nocrats of Grayson and Hopkins es in endorsing the vetoes of Gov-Sayers is likely to be duplicated by this county democracy next Tuesng of the county executive com-28 for the purpose of endorsing or ng Governor Sayers in his policy of or of sustaining the governor.

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ression Centers in Yebraska and

Central Texas, Cashington, March 24.—Low pressure covers the entire country from the Mississippi valey westward, with centers of depression in Eastern Nebraska and Central Texas. Generilly fair weather has prevailed east of the Rocky mountains, except in the middle Mistasippi valley, where there were light rains

The temperature has risen generally and de-'edly, except in the Atlantic States and the wer lake region. The first temperature of degrees for the season was reported at Abi-

Increasing cloudiness and showers are indicated Saturday in the central valleys and the Gulf States. Generally fair weather will prevalue in the Atlantic States. The temperature will rise east of the Mississippi, but will fall Saturday afternoon or night in the Mississippi valley. Fresh to brink winds will precall on the Atlantic coast, becoming easterly.

General Observations. weather bureau at all stations yesterday, lath

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Probabilities.
East Texas-Fair in northwest, cloudy and probably showers in southwest portion; cooler Saturday afternoon or night in north. West Texas-Fair; cooler in extreme north-

ern portion; cool Saturday afternoon or night in partheastern portion; west to northwest

Oklahoma and Indian Territory-Fair: cooler extreme western portions; cooler Saturday is extreme western portions; cooler Saturday night in central and castern portions; winds becoming northerly.

FATAL EXPLOSION. "

One Man Killed and Another Fatally Injured. Durham, N. C., March 24 .- W. H. Branson, secretary and treasurer of the Durham Cotton Manufacturing company, was fatally scalded today by the bursting an hour after the explosion of the pipe.

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IS STILL DELAYING

The Administration Will Not Announce Philippine Policy.

MUST WAIT ON THE REPORT

Which Is to Be Made by Schurrman Commission.

OTIS IS NEARLY READY TO MOVE

Work of Exterminating Filipinos Will Begin in a Few Days.

GUNBOATS TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART

Americans Cuptured Them from Spain, but They Will Still Be Used Against Owners of the Islands,

Thomasville, Ga., March 24 .- The administration will not decide upon its permanent policy respecting the Philippines until the Schurmann committee reports It feels that its present knowledge of the islands is too indefinite as a basis for a fixed policy. Moreover, an immediate decision is felt to be needless, for the presenproblem is the restoration of law and or der and the establishment of stable, peaceful conditions. This and the appointment

A BIG FIGHT.

American Losses Amount to a Hundred. New York, March 24,-The World will tomorrow print the

following Manila cable, under date of March 24: A sweeping victory over Agninaldo's forces has just been

by the United States The total American loss is es

timated at about 100, including both the killed and wounded. The Philipino loss is between

300 and 400,

are two of the most important matters remaining open. The Madrid mission probably will be raised to an embassy soon after payment of the \$20,000,000 indemnity and a man of the highest qualifications and attainments chosen for this delicate and important post. General Woodford may not be the new envoy owing to the fact that New York already has such an undue proportion of the highest diplomatic appointments.

FILIPINOS CONCENTRATING.

They Will Stake All on a Fight at Mainbon

ish prisoners who have escaped from Polo to the lines of the Kansas regiment re-New Mexico-Fair: cooler Saturday after-con or night in the northern portion; north day. If defeated, it is further asserted, the

ing Governor Sayers in his policy of a pipe in the pumphouse at the com-pany's mills here. J. C. Mather, super-rebels are further said to have admitted surror of superline to be overwhelmingly The escaped Spaniards corroborated the

stories told of food shortage among the rebels, and they added that their hosnitals are short of supplies.

ENEMY IS ACTIVE.

The Filipinos Claim a Thousand Americans Have Been Killed. Manila, March 24 .- Noon .- The enemy s extremely active in the vicinity of Malabon in preparing defenses, evidently anticipating an attack. They keep well under cover. A large body of rebels, however, emerged from the jungle from the extreme left yesterday and fired on the kansas troops in the frenches, fatally wounding Private Cohen of company B. and Private Muser of company E

second regiment marched to the front to day. The Third and Seventeenth regiments have disembarked from the Sherman, Gen-

eral H. G. Otis' brigade struck their tents this morning and an early movement is Vice President.

Sixteen English refugees arrived here yesterday from Dagupan, the terminus, on beard the steamer Saturnus. They report that the natives are generally friendly and the officers invariably court.

Mr. Higgins, manager of the railroad, and about a dozen unmarried men in charge of various business interests delined to take advantage of the opportuni-y to leave. Nothing has been heard of the two American planters at Calumpit

ince hostilities began.
According to Philippine accounts a thou sans Americans have been killed, the fa-talities being especially heavy at Caloocan where the United States troops "rushed like mad men against a storm of bullets."

PLANS MATERING. Otis Will Begin a Movement Against

Aguinaldo. Washington, March 24—It is understood here that General Otis has so far matured his plans of campaign that within a week or ten days he will be able to begin the movement which is expected to mark the destruction of Aguinaido's army. Although stragglers and fugitives may int the Island of Luzon for some time, I t is believed that after Otis has delivered is next blow, the insurgent army as an organization will have coased to "exist. The new movement will be, it is under-stood, by a combined land and water at-Manila, March 24, 6:25 p. m .- Two Span-

are to play an important part in the de-velopment of the campaign.

Many of the troops which had been en-gaged on the outer lines up to the date of General Lawton's arrival at Manila, have been withdrawn to the water front and a emplete reorganization of the army is now in progress. The reinforcements now arriving at Manila are being used to maintain the strength of the lines running from Manila to Pasig, established by Wheaton's flying brigade. The next movement that is expected here is to be by water. It is believed that Otis will place a complete brigade on board vessels steaming northward and land them beyond the insurgent headquarters at Malolos. If this movement succeeds, as it should if made with rapidity, the insurgent army will find itself completely penned in, with no opportunity for retreat. To the north will be the flying brigade on the east of La Guan de Bay, across which they will be prevented from escaping by the American guns now affant there; the Pasig river to the south is policed by tin clads and with a strong line in the position occupied by Wheaton's brigade, will cut off any movement in that direction, while the West bay of Manila is closed by Dewey's veasels. It is hard to conceive how, if this plan is carried, the insurgents can longer avoid a decisive conflict which must end either in their breaking through the American lines or in their surrender. It is evident that Otis expects the latter, for he has already advised the war depart-ment that the insurrection can not last much longer.

BRASS-TIPPED BULLETS.

The Charge Against the Filipinos Is Retterated. San Francisco, March 24.- The Asso-

The insurgents are using brass tipped bullets, which inflict shocking woulds. Blood poisoning invariably results from a wound indicted by one of these bullets. Thomas Bryan, a member of the Californomes Bryan a memoer of the Cattornia regiment, was shot through the groin by a Remington. The wound was not considered dangerous, but two hours after he was brought in from the field blood poisoning set in, lockiaw ensued and hit teen minutes later Bryan was dead.

The bedies of two members of the California resilvents. Privates Nelligan and Cotton Gins

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The bodies of two members of the California regiments, Privates Nellson and Rackard, were brought in from beyond the Caloacan on February 12. They had been missing since February 7, when in company with two comrades, all having leave of absence, they joined a company of the Kanass regiment going to the front. A company of the California regiment proceeded a mile beyond our lines, and two of them were missing. They had been fired on by a large body of insurgents and had retreated, leaving Nellson and Rackard to follow. On February 11, three doad bodies were afound in the timber, stripped of all clothing. The numerous empty carriridge abelis strewn about told the story.

Will Get Away from Some Very Disagreeable Subjects.

Would Not Be Satisfied by Nomination for

HE WANTS TO OCCUPY THE WHITE HOUSE

Mr. Hobart Will Probably Be Given Renomination, as He Is Very Close to the Administration.

Washington, March 24 .- Politicians here regard the suggestion of the nomination of Speaker Reed for vice president on the ticket with President McKinley as even more absurd than the recent auggestion of the nomination of Governor Roosevell. No one who knows Mr. Reed believes that he would consider a proposition to take second place on the ticket for a that, be will rest content with the high and hands. reputation be has made for himself as face, hands and neck.

speaker of the house. It is well known Robert Campbell, leg broken.

Mrs. C. A. McMillan, prostrated by nerspeaker as superior in Itself to that of

It is believed here that Vice President Hebart will probably be renominated for vice president. Mr. Hobart has made particularly prominent. Otis has procured thirteen of the gunboats formerly owned by the Spanish government, and these are to play an important part in the decision of the programment of the spanish government, and these are to play an important part in the decision. spect and esteem of every member of In addition to this, he has done what few vice presidents have done in recent years, in that he has worked in the closest harmony with the presi-dent. He has been given the confidence of Mr. McKinley to as great a degree in any member of his cabinet, and in returning advice has been on more than one of casion a distinct help to the president. It

O. H. P. BELMONT'S COURSE. He Will Attend the Democratic Dol-

tar Dinner. New York, March 24.—The Times says:

It is announced that Oliver H. P. Belmont, who withdrew from the committee cratic club dinner on Wednesday of last week, has decided not to attend the function of Mr. Croker's club, but will in stend partake of the "dollar dinner." This Mr. Belmont himself could not be seen

when verification of the report was sought.
In resigning from the Democratic club, fact that the dinner had dwindled from a National to merely a local significance. His latest move, it was said last night was for the purpose of emphasizing his disapproval of the operations of the man-agers of the Democratic club dinner.

States during the civil war.

Mr. Brewster, who is in charge of the Bryan dinner, says he has received assurunces that several prominent guests will be present, including Tom L. Johnson and Mayor Jones of Toledo. Applications for were accumulating fast, he said, and everything gave premise of a successful

PRESIDENT AND PARTY.

A Flying Trip to Tallahassee and Return.

Thomasvifle, Ga., March 24 .- President McKinley and a large party today made a flying trip to Tallahassee, Pla. Vice-President Hobart has not been very well, not having fully recovered from his attack of the grippe last winter, so he and Mrs. Hobart remained behind. A special train was provided by the Plant System, the which left Thomasville shortly after 10

precident.

At Monticello, the home of Senator Pasco, that gentleman and his family greeted Mr. McKinley. The senator could not proceed to Tallahausee, but by invitation the two Misses Pasco and a young son became members of the presidential party. At Tallahausee the party was received by Governor Bloxham and a local

ommittee. The town had been elaborately decorated in honor of the presi-

GENERAL MENT

INCOMPETENCY

No speech-making occurred in Tallahassee. The party left there at 3:30 and arrived at Thomasville at 5:40.

Brunswick, Gs., March 24.—Speaker Reed left Jekyl island today for a trip to the Florida reefs. Ex-Secretary Bliss, who entertained the president while here, departed for New York.

BOARDING HOUSE FIRE.

jured. Memphis, Tenn., March 24.—In a fire this morning in Mrs. E. H. Nolen's boarding house at 104 Court street, there was a property loss of not over \$2500, but four lives were lost and six people were more or less seriously injured.

The dead: Mrs. Lilly Chapin, 35 years old. Roy Chapte, 10 years old. Chester Chapte, 4 years old. Thomas Bull, 60 years old.

he injured . liss Katie Loyd, internal injuries and

Paul Martin, severely burned about the

Mrs. Notes a boarding house was par-ronized by regular boarders, as well as by roomers and translents. At the time of the fire-there were twenty-one people in the house. Fire from the grate ignited the hanging curtains to the early part of the night and a prompt response by the fire department accepted in extinguishhas department exceeds in extinguishing the famics without damage. The guess retired at the usual hour. At an early hour this meraing flames were seen issuing from the house and the inmares wildly rushing about in a frantic effort to escape. The department again responded promptly and after the fire was under control the earch revealed the charred bodies of the

Bull died in a heroic attempt to save the life of Mrs. Chapin and her little children. He was burned to death, and his body presented a horrible speciacle. His eyes were burned out, and one looking at his charred remains could not tell whether he had been a white man or a negro.

FRANCIS HARRISON PIERPONT.

The First Governor of West Vie-

ginta Is Dead. Pittsburg, Pa., March 24.-Hop, Francis Harrison Pierpont, the first governor of West Virginia, died tonight in this city. Hon. F. H. Pierpont was the last of the war governors. He was the Union govinformation was given out by one of Mr. ernor of the restored government of Virginia organized in Wheeling at the outbreak of the war by the citizens of what is now West Virginia and opposed the secession. He was the principal agitator of Mr. Belmont gave as his reason the ex-tensive publicity given the affair and the and a prime mover in the organization of and a prime mover in the organization of West Virginia, and has since been konwn as the father of that State. The story of

GARMENT MAKERS STRIKE.

Six Thousand Laborers to Give Up Their Jobs.
Philadelphia. March 24.—The executive

committee of the Garment Workers union to night ordered a strike of the 6000 garment makers of this city, beginning tomorrow at noon. The purpose of the strike is principally to accure the abelition of subcontracting as well as higher waxes and increased rates for government work. The atribors claim that a more opportune time for a strike could not be chosen, as there is a rush of work in all directions and the contractors will have difficulty in getting new hands.

2,000,000 STARVING

A Cry of Succor Comes from Interior

MONEY AND CORN ASKED FOR.

Crops and Villages Destroyed by Yellow River Floods.

NO SHELTER FROM WINTER'S COLD

There Is No Seed for Sowing, No Hope for the Future.

THE APPEAL COMES FROM AMERICANS

They Vouch for the Honry Tidings of the Awful Destitution Among the Famine Stricken Refugees.

Washington, March 24.-Citizens of the United States residing in Ches Poo, China, have made an earnest appeal through Consul Powler, at Chee Foo, for the charitable in America and elsewhere, on behalf of the auffering from the appalling Yellow river floods of this year. These floods have been described by the natives as "China's sorrow," and the petitioners state that never before was the distress o great and heartrending as now. The most conservative estimates place the number of starving at 2.000,000 and time and the increasing cold weather will undoubtedly greatly augment the distress. almost hourly, in receipt of reports from their countrymen in the interior depicting the condition of the famine refugees; hundreds of villages are submerged; eltrens surrounded by water; bomes, furniture, clothing-in fact, everything is under water or destroyed. The natives themselves are living in straw huts, many have absolutely no shelter from the winter's cold and snow, subsisting on bark, willow twigs, roots, etc. The crops have been a failure, the seed for next spring's sowing is gone and there is no hope for them in the future.

"We venture to call upon the charity in our home land to assist us in trying to alleviate at least a portion of their misery. Therefore, we shall be glad to receive contributions of money and corn. We ask for money to be sent to the United States consul here with which food and clothing can be bought for the sufferers, and we guarantee a strict accounting for every dollar."

EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDES.

Love and Loss of Money Cause Mexicans to Despond.

Mexico City, March 24.-An epidemic of suicides has broken out here, young wemen and men killing themselves on acand other motives. The Catholic daily papers lamented this outbreak of suicide. El Pais says today: "During the times when Christian education prevailed in Mexico, a case of a woman committing suicide was never heard of, least of all of a woman of the decent class. Therefore when we accuse this modern Masonic education of leibg criminal, it is mute when we ark it to point out to us a case of a convent educated girl having committed suicide. We can point both hands to vic-tims of suicide in your school of thought; in your education, in your system, which is as perploious as it is ostentatious. Whereas, we repeat, are the victims of our school, of our education. In a few days of Masonic regime, the victima of suicide might fill a graveyard."

MISSIONARIES NEED PROTECTION. Ecuadoran Priests Stir Up Parishion-

ers to Deeds of Violence. New York, March 24.-The Herald's orrespondent in Eduador says; Regarding the present wave of fanaticism in Ecuador, the United States minister, A. J. Sampson. Is energetically insisting on the protection of the Protestant missionaries by the Ecuadoran authorities. News has been received that in the

western section of the republic missionsubjected to many outrages by The American minister laid the matter before the foreign office, stating that according to the latest reports. American

missionaries have been threatened with a operal massacre. The archbishop has been enjoined by the minister of public worship to reprint and the priests who stir the natives to acts

FUTURE RELATIONSHIP. American Trusts Menneing British

London, March 24.—The Saturday Revlow, published this evening, acrimoninusty discusses the future relationship between the United States and Great Britain in a long article eptitled "rivals," After pointing out that "nothing material has yet been the outcome of the passing wave of sentimental hypnotist,

it proceeds to blame the American trusts for the fallure of the British-American-Ca-

nadian commission, saying: "These trusts may be expected to menace British trade



